LIBYA, LOCKERBIE & THE NEW WORLD ORDER

While many countries now agree that Libya had nothing to do with the Lockerbie bombing - the sanctions that are still being imposed on Libya serve as a stark reminder that we are truly in A New World Order!

The fact that a powerful few nations can violate their own international codes of justice to bring another nation to "heel" - is a chilling portend of things to come.

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That is really going on with Libya? The answer to this question lies buried beneath several layers of successful western disinformation.

I visited Libya twice while working for Simply Living Magazine - once in June 1988 to attend an international peace conference, and once in January 1989 to investigate the alleged chemical weapons factory. I can tell you from personal experience, that Libya is nothing like what the popular media would have us believe.

What then, is the reason for the hysteria that just a few western countries display when anyone mentions the word "Libya"?

My research has led me to believe that Libya is or was, one of the only countries on the planet, who decided years ago, not to participate in the approaching "New World Order".

Libya, since the 1969 revolution, has enjoyed a period of rapid economic growth, unparalleled by virtually any other country. Being an oil rich nation, Libya is one of the only countries not to have borrowed money from the Internationalists - ie the IMF and the World Bank(s). This has given Libya more freedoms, internally, than countries who are "on the financial nipple" so to speak.

Libya's spokesman Colonel Qadhafi, has made many references over the years, to a coming "New World Order", and has repeatedly warned other nations of what was ahead. It is most likely that this is the backbone of the real reason for the "west's" undeclared war against Libya.

It has been pointed out to me that here in Australia, the public has never been told the truth about Libya, or what Qadhafi has been saying on the international platform. Instead we are repeatedly told that he is a "madman", and "the grandfather" of all terrorism. Every European I spoke to of Libya, was amazed and horrified at the image portrayed of Qadhafi in Australia. Our discussions usually ended with the comments "and I thought Australia had an independent media". (They were even more horrified when I told them that we get exactly the same news on virtually every TV, radio station and newspaper.)

Qadhafi foresaw years ago, a pattern of countries pushed into accepting World Bank/IMF loans, with all the small but potent conditions that were attached. He saw country after country bowing to the international banking fraternity as its

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF AMERICAN AGGRESSION TOWARDS LIBYA

- 1972: Washington refuses full diplomatic relations with the Jamahiriya (Libya).
- 30th May 1973: US warplanes deliberately violate Libyan airspace during manoeuvres of the Sixth Fleet.
- 1974: The delivery of 8 planes (DC-1309) to Libya was refused, although it had already paid US\$60 million in cash for them.
- 1977: The Pentagon added the name of the Jamahiriya (Libya) to the list of enemies of the USA
- 24th Jan 1978: US Secretary of State declared that Libya heads the list of the countries against which the USA intend to take measures in retaliation for their position with regard to the Palestinian cause.
- 10th April 1980: US authorities harassed and expelled members of the Popular Arab Libyan Bureau in Washington.
- 1980: A US plan to shoot the plane transporting Qadhafi through Eastern Europe went wrong: they shot down an Italian plane flying over Usteka waters by mistake.
- May 1981: Newsweek magazine reveals that CIA chief, William Casey had agreed to a costly operation to assassinate Oadhafi.
- 19th August 1981: Eight US aircraft intercepted two Libyan reconnaissance planes over Libyan territorial waters and shot them down.
- 1984: Several CIA groups of spies sent to infiltrate Libya.
- 1985: Repeated CIA attempts to assassinate Qadhafi.
- 1986: Reagan orders US citizens to stop working in Libya.
- 25th March 1986: US Navy aircraft bomb civil sites in the Gulf of Syrte, and blew up a patrol boat and coastguard cruiser. The survivors were pursued and gunned down while making for safety.
- 31st March 1986: Egyptian newspaper Al Ahram reports that the USA had pressured Egypt to take joint military against Libya no less than three times.
- 15th April 1986: The USA carried out its bombing raid on Libyan cities killing many civilians and children. The raid was in 'retaliation' for the apparent involvement of Libya in the bombing of the La Belle Disco in Berlin. Libya was later declared innocent of any involvement in the disco bombing.
- 1986/87: Numerous media reports on attempts to assassinate Qadhafi by the USA.
- December 1987: US Secretary of State tours African countries in an attempt to encourage unity against Libya.
- December 1989: US warplanes shoot down two Libyan jets.
 US Sixth Fleet holds manoeuvres inside Libyan water and air space. USA threatens to invade Libya to destroy an alleged Chemical Weapons Factory. This Factory was later proven to have nothing to do with Chemical Weapons.
- 7th December 1990: An American aircraft C-141 (No 50280) landed in Chad and kidnapped 200 Libyan prisoners of war. These prisoners were taken to Nigeria.
- 8th December 1990: 450 Libyan prisoners transported in the same way from Chan to Zaire. 250 Libyan prisoners were then transported against their will to the USA in a Hercules aircraft. Some sources report that these prisoners of war were then brainwashed and trained in the USA for later use against their own country.

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This is most likely the reason why Qadhafi set out to purchase the controlling stock of The Arab Banking Corporation Ltd. It is clear that if this corporation attracted support from other Arab nations, a form of an 'alternative banking system' could be established. Qadhafi obviously persuaded enough Arab money to be pulled out of the existing UK-USA banking fraternities and into the A.B.C., to cause considerable alarm. Many researchers have interpreted the sudden drop in world oil prices to have been a direct form of economic retaliation for daring to defy the then unannounced, new world order.

THE NEW WORLD ORDER?

The determination of Britain and America to pin Lockerbie on Libya has set some chilling precedents in place. The foremost of these being MIGHT IS RIGHT!

Ironic as it may seem to some, Libya so far, is the only country to abide by the International Laws agreed to by all parties concerned.

Libya, like the UK and the USA, has internal laws to prevent the government from handing over its own citizens to a foreign country for trial. However, Libya has repeatedly offered to hand over the two suspects to an impartial international tribunal such as the World Court, in line with the 1971 Montreal Sabotage Convention.

This Montreal Convention is an international agreement signed by Libya and all the UN Security Council states. It provides for trial of suspected terrorists by the courts of their own country, and for referral of disputes among signatories to the World Court. The USA and UK have cast doubt on the reliability of their evidence by refusing to refer the case to an impartial tribunal. They know their evidence will not stand up in a neutral court of law!

United Nations Security Council Resolution #731, condemned Libya for its refusal to hand over the two suspects to either America or Britain. Both Britain and America acted illegally by voting on this resolution, since they were parties to the dispute in question. Article 27 of the UN Charter provides that "a party to a dispute shall abstain from voting".

Worse still, according to Francis A. Boyle, Professor of International Law at the University of Illinois, the Security Council itself acted beyond its powers in adopting these Resolution, because it "does not have any lawful authority or power to adopt a resolution that ignores, abrogates or circumvents the basic principle of international law mandating the peaceful resolution of international disputes".

By adopting the Resolution, the Security Council had for the first time demanded the extradition of citizens of one country to stand trial in another and implicitly accused a member government of involvement in terrorism.

"It was an outspoken case of misuse of the Security Council by two countries that are themselves parties in the conflict," said Law Professor E. Vierdag of Amsterdam University.

Joop Syatauw, former lecturer in International Law at the Institute of Social Studies added, "this affair shows to what extent in the new world order the security council has become an instrument to legitimise certain interests".

THE LOCKERBIE BOMBING

Many interesting pieces of information have emerged over the months and years since Lockerbie. These include:-

- The plane, PanAm Flight 103 would normally have been flying over the ocean at the time of the explosion. It is alleged that the plane detoured to avoid a pressure system, which took it on a new flight path over Scotland. One wonders, if the explosion had occurred over the ocean the terrorist bomb angle would have only surfaced if a group claimed responsibility for it.
- The first doctors on the scene counted one body more than the later official total. The CIA was implicated in removing one body.
- Private Eye magazine has allegedly been given evidence from a local farmer who found a suitcase full of drugs in his field after the crash. He has been amazed that he was never called to give evidence at the inquest, despite telling every official he could find.
- A Scottish Member of Parliament, Tam Dalyell, has charged that the CIA may have created "evidence" to make Libya take the rap for the bombing.
- The PLO launched its own secret investigation into the Lockerbie affair, and came to the conclusion that Libya was innocent and not implicated in the bombing. However, the PLO did declare that it had received information which implicated other middle east parties, and had compiled a

detailed list of names etc which it would make available.

• Former CIA Head of Investigation into the bombing, Vincent Cannistraro, told the New York *Times* it was "outrageous" to pin the whole thing onto Qadhafi.

Finally, on the 19th April this year, TIME MAGAZINE ran a cover story which basically exonerated the two accused Libyan nationals.

For those who missed it- a veteran TIME journalist concluded that a Syrian drug dealer with ties to Western intelligence agencies was behind the planting of the bomb that destroyed PanAm Flight 103.

It was basically a United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) "sting" operation. TIME fixes the blame on al-Khassar, who it says was being allowed to smuggle drugs into the U.S. in return for his promise to help obtain the release of six U.S. hostages held in Beirut,

How quickly people have forgotten the 1988 downing of an Iranian plane containing 290 civilians by the *USS Vincennes*. This is a U.S. warship that blows a civilian plane out of the sky, killing 290 people, and then in April 1990, George Bush confers a medal on the ship's captain for doing it! Imagine a Libyan warship blowing a U.S. plane up, killing all on board, and when the warship gets back, Qadhafi gives the captain a medal for it? Not likely!

With its small population of 3.5 million people, and negligible military forces, the only threat Muammar al-Qadhafi can pose to the west, is as a rallying point for those opposing